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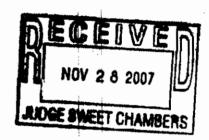
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The Honorable Robert W. Sweet United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Room 1920 New York, New York 10007



Re:

United States v. Eric Rivera Rivera, a/k/a "Danny"

07 Cr. 871 (RWS)

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Dear Judge Sweet:

The Government writes to inform Your Honor that the parties are engaged in plea discussions regarding the above-captioned matter, but have not yet reached a disposition and do not anticipate doing so before tomorrow's conference, scheduled for 4:30 p.m. Accordingly, the parties ask that this conference be adjourned for a period of approximately one week. I have been informed by Your Honor's deputy that December 10 at 4:30 p.m. is an available time

In addition, both parties consent to time being excluded under the Speedy Trial Act until the next conference that Your Honor sets. The parties maintain that the ends of justice served by taking this action outweigh the public's and defendant's interest in a speedy trial because this exclusion will allow the parties to engage in plea discussions.

Respectfully submitted,

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